

Construction Site Security Checklist

The Ultimate Guide to Protecting Your Sites

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Introduction

Construction sites are constantly threatened by theft, trespass, vandalism, and arson. Managed CCTV Systems are the most effective way of shielding against these threats, but there are several steps to better site security.

Construction project managers have a diverse range of responsibilities, including being accountable for all risk management during the project.

Construction sites are a hazardous environment, one which the HSE ranks as the third most dangerous, so workforce safety is a significant risk that needs mitigating.

However, worker safety is not the only risk project managers need to consider. Construction sites contain many highly sought after materials and tools, many of which are easy to resell, making them a prime target for organised and opportunist theft.

To assist site managers, the security experts at WCCTV have created the Ultimate Site Security Checklist, a free guide that helps close the gaps in your security processes.

Site crime remains a widespread issue for the construction industry, with a reported 6000 break-ins per year, resulting in up to £800m of costs associated with equipment loss and project delays.

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Improving Construction Site Security

It has never been more important for construction business owners and project managers to invest in construction site security to protect valuable assets and workers.

The benefits of enhancing security across your sites include:

Preventing the theft of expensive tools and construction equipment

Protecting against project delays



Shielding your site from trespassing which can cause harm and loss of life

Reducing onsite accidents and injuries resulting in litigation and legal claims

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Identifying Security Threats

It would be best to appoint an individual (or team depending on project scale) to lead security operations.

Although everyone on your site is ultimately responsible for its security, having a designated lead is a critical first step in ensuring threats are spotted and responded to.

Business owners and managers must conduct a security risk assessment to implement all security recommendations effectively.

If you've never completed a security risk assessment before, WCCTV has created a free guide which you can download here: **Top Tips for Construction Site Security.**



To assist project managers of any experience level working on sites of any shape or size, WCCTV has compiled its Ultimate Site Security Checklist.

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Site Security Checklist



Please tick or cross within the 'YES' or 'NO' boxes in accordance to each question.

SECURITY COORDINATION	YES	NO
Does the site have designated security coordinators?		
Are the security coordinators available for contact during non-business hours?		
Does the construction site provide a means to contact the police, fire department, and other relevant authorities in case of emergencies?		
Does the construction site have a security plan, including procedures for specific scenarios?		
If so, are construction site employees aware of the security plan?		

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GENERAL MACHINERY	YES	NO
Are all machinery adequately marked? (identification number, corporate logo, tags)		
Have all of the machinery been inventoried? (serial number, brand, model, value)		
Does the project have a list of the names of operators handling the machinery?		
Are all machinery fitted with immobilisers and tracking devices when appropriate?		
Are all machinery stored in a secure area with a proper surveillance system?		

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TOOLS & OTHER EQUIPMENT	YES	NO
Are all power tools and hand equipment marked? (identification number, corporate logo, tags, etc)		
Have all power tools and hand equipment been inventoried? (serial number, brand, model, value, etc)		
Are tools and equipment fitted with tags and tracking devices when appropriate?		
Are tools and equipment stored in a secure place?		

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INVENTORY CONTROL	YES	NO
Is there a system to check material inventory to ensure they are not misplaced or stolen?		
Are there procedures for checking materials that go in and out of the construction site?		
Is there a set schedule for checking materials and equipment?		
If so, do the records show that the schedule is followed strictly?		
Are all material suppliers arriving for delivery properly identified? (license plates, driving licence)		

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LIGHTING & SURVEILLANCE	YES	NO
Is there sufficient lighting on the construction site?		
Is there a dedicated staff member assigned to check if the lighting is working properly?		
Is the site protected by CCTV cameras?		
Are there signs posted on site indicating the presence of security cameras?		
Are there motion detection lights installed on the construction site?		

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INVENTORY CONTROL	YES	NO
Is there a physical barrier in place to secure the site?		
Is the number of gates kept to a minimum?		
Are there uniformed guards at every gate to check personnel and vehicles entering and leaving the site?		
Are security warnings displayed prominently at all entry points?		
Are entry points adequately secured? (industry- grade padlocks, steel chains)		

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INVENTORY CONTROL	YES	NO
Is there an alarm system?		
Is the locking system integrated with the alarm?		
Is the site perimeter regularly inspected?		
Are there 'NO TRESPASSING' signs displayed prominently along the perimeter?		

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INTERNAL CONTROLS	YES	NO
Is there a policy on employee theft?		
Are employees aware of the policy?		
Are employees required to check in and check out company properties when using them?		
Are staff members encouraged to report suspicious activity?		
Is there a hotline employees can call to report security lapses and breaches?		

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SITE VISITORS	YES	NO
Are visitors checking in and out?		
Are vehicles entering and exiting the site recorded?		

END OF SITE SECURITY CHECKLIST

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Next Steps

Now you've assessed your construction site security, the next step is to address any gaps you've identified. WCCTV's experts are ready to help you secure your site effectively and efficiently.

Construction site security is of the utmost importance, and getting it right has never been more critical for your company's success. Rising construction material costs and increasing crime rates mean a lapse in security can devastate your projects operations. Not only is there the risk of lost materials or the cost of damage to your sites, theft and vandalism can also lead to lengthy project delays.

So how can WCCTV help?

REQUEST A FREE SECURITY CONSULTATION: Our team can review your checklist and discuss specific recommendations tailored to your sites specific needs.

BOOK A DEMONSTRATION: Experience the effectiveness of our advanced Managed CCTV Solutions first-hand.

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